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## UNION SERVICE

On New Year's Eve at 8 o'clock there will be a Union New Year's service held in M. E. church, The Episcopal, The Congregational and The Methodist uniting.

A large chorus, the three choirs uniting.

The Rev. Robert Lawton will deliver the address. He will be assisted by Mr. Bert Jones, Lay Reader of The Episcopal Church, Professor Forte, Mr. W. F. Morong and Rev. W. C. Christie.

The children of the three Sunday Schools are especially requested to attend this service as well as the members and friends of the churches. Everybody invited.

Programme for New Year's Eve Union Church Service, at M. E. Church.

Voluntary. Hymn—569. Apostles Creed. New Year's Chant. Prayer by Professor Forte. Anthem. 53rd Reading in Psalter. Gloria Patri. Scripture Lesson, Mr. Bert Jones. Solo. Hymn—571. Sermon by Rev. Robert Lawton. Hymn—573. Benediction. New Year's Greeting. Doxology.

## Notice

I expect to be in my shop this winter. Shall be pleased to paint your wagon, automobile, or any other thing that can be done in a first class paint shop.

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## Card of Thanks

To all those who so kindly assisted me to win the White Sewing machine. I sincerely extend my most sincere gratitude.

Mrs. Jesse F. McQuain.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Worrall of Lyndonville, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al. Davis.

## LOCAL ITEMS

Remember the special town meeting next Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Perceel of Groton and Miss Butler of Troy, N. Y., are holiday guests at T. F. Butler's.

Mrs. George Mackay is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Skillings.

Probably the snow was as deep on Dale Ave. as any place, at least it was above Chas. Street's knees, Thursday night.

Thos. Rooney of White River Jet., was a Christmas visitor in town.

Maude Maroney of Littleton, N. H., is spending the holidays in town with relatives and friends.

Edith Lowe and brother of North Stratford, N. H., were Christmas guests here.

The White Sewing machine, which was the prize given by Foss & Co. to the person turning in the most cash checks from Dec. 1 to Xmas., was won by Mrs. J. F. McQuain.

A very small crowd greeted H. Price Webber in Opera Hall last Tuesday night, due probably to the storm, which was at its height at that time.

Postmaster Sweeney says that the Christmas mail Tuesday night was the heaviest he has experienced since he has been postmaster. The waiting room of the postoffice was packed with people waiting for the mail to be distributed.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church increased their fund by about \$20 at a sale of candy and fancy goods, which was held in Foss' store last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Joe Cote and daughter have gone to Lyndonville to help care for her new granddaughter.

Archie Samson and wife of Windsor Mills, Que., are spending Christmas with his father, Jas. Samson.

## WEDDING BELLS

A quiet home wedding was solemnized Wednesday morning at the home of Samuel Moore, when his daughter, Melissa, was united in marriage to Merle Clarke of Barre, Rev. E. P. Lee of St. Johnsbury performing the ceremony. Only the immediate relatives of the couple were present.

Miss Moore was a popular and well known school teacher in St. Johnsbury. Mr. Clark is treasurer of a banking institution at Essex Junction, Vt. The couple left on a wedding trip for Boston and vicinity. They will be at home at Essex Jct. after December 28.

## Remarkable Report

A recent government report shows that the Fifth infantry, a squadron of which is stationed at Fort Ethan Allan, has had fewer desertions during the past year than any other white regiment in the service.

## Gives to Hospital

Dr. M. R. Crain, of Rutland, has given the Rutland city hospital a lungmotor, a machine used in emergency cases where the patient is asphyxiated, suffering from an electric shock, heart failure, or any sudden interference with the action of the heart or lungs.

## Bowling Contest

The bowling contest goes merrily on, many teams having completed their score the past week. The custom house team still retains the lead although several others have assumed threatening properties. Jas. White rolled the high individual score the past week when he hit the candles for 111.

Carl Taylor, who has been employed in Graniteville, Que., for the past year, has returned to town and is now working at Colby's mill.

## HEAVY XMAS MAIL

E. F. Johnson, who is in the U. S. mail service, running between here and Portland, gave an interesting interview on the volume of Christmas mail handled by Uncle Sam's army of clerks. Among other things he said: "That No. 1, the night train, handled 153 sacks of mail between Portland and here last Sunday night. Tuesday, No. 5 had 59 sacks to work and there was probably 26 directs that were not touched, and Wednesday on the same train the clerks worked 63 sacks but were unable to get to 40 more that were made up."

Christmas mail was enormous all over the country, the Boston terminal having over 10,000 sacks of unworked mail Thursday morning, thereby causing all clerks who were off duty, to work Christmas day. The post cards and letters are still running above the everyday average.

## Police Blotter

A man giving his name as Roy, parts unknown, was arrested Tuesday night in the railroad yards, after trying to beat a ride on No. 3 and later on a freight. Grand Trunk officials entered a complaint and he was locked up by Sheriff Bemis. He was arranged next day before Judge Parsons, along with two Norton offenders, whom officer Swanson of Norton brought down; the three were fined, but being unable to pay they will feed at the county's expense for the next 20 days.

## New Years Ball

All lovers of dancing are looking forward to Story's New Year Ball which takes place in Opera Hall next Monday night. In the past this ball has been one of the events of the season and Mr. Story will make every effort to duplicate the success of past years. The music for the occasion will be furnished by Story's orchestra who have the reputation of furnishing excellent music.

## Notice

The persons who sent me the anonymous letter last week and signed "From a Friend" had better mind their own business.

A. A. Danforth.

## Guarding Against Croup

The best safeguard against croup is a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in the house. P. H. Ginn, Middleton, Ga., writes: "My children are very susceptible to croup, easily catch cold. I give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and in every instance they get prompt relief and are soon cured. We keep it at home and prevent croup." Use it also for coughs, colds, hoarseness, tickling throat, bronchial and la grippe coughs. It contains no opiates. Refuse substitutes. For sale by J. W. Thurston.



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## AMONG THE CHURCHES

Pleasing and appropriate exercises were carried out on Wednesday evening in the Methodist, Episcopal, and Congregational churches. Fine programs of songs, recitations, etc., were presented to appreciative audiences of good proportions. Following the exercises came the distribution of presents, with a world of joyous anticipation and gleeful delight. The Catholic church held their customary Christmas services, which were largely attended, especially the mid-night mass.

## Methodist Church

The following program was carried out at the Methodist Church Christmas tree exercises held in the church Wednesday evening:

Prayer, by the Pastor.  
Opening Song—School.  
Recitation—"Welcome," Theodore LaPlante  
A Kiss. Marion Lougee  
Recitation—"Two Big Blue Eyes," Doris LaRoche  
Recitation—"Parcel Post," Fred Barnes  
Motion Song—By primary.  
Recitation—"My Picture Book," Gwendolyn Davis  
Recitation—"A Letter to Santa Claus," Marjorie Farr  
Recitation—"Watching for Santa Claus," Russell Stevens  
Recitation—"Christmas Cheer," Olive Annis  
Solo—"Star of the East," Ruth Currier  
Recitation—"Santa Claus Visit," Belle Morse  
Recitation—"God Rest Ye," Mildred Douglas  
Recitation—"Star of Bethlehem," Ina Emery  
Duet—Merle Currier and Kenneth Christie  
Recitation—"Selling the Baby," Gladys Christie  
Solo—"Cradle Hymn," Maxene Mackay  
Recitation—"Bob and Meg's X'mas," Pauline Parlin  
Recitation—"Bells across the Snow," Hortense Mackay  
Dialogue—Zenas McQuain, Cecil McKenney, Chas. Corliss, Jas. Bradford, Albion Lanpher, Irving Emery and Gladys Christie  
Motion Song—Eight little girls.  
Recitation—"Greedy Joe," Theodore LaPlante  
Recitation—"Miss Handkerchief," Lillian Cole  
Recitation—Ruby Davis.  
Recitation—Marion Davis.  
Recitation—"The Best Way," Lena Annis  
Song—"The Busy Bees," Ten Girls.  
Dialogue and Duet,—Pauline Parlin and Hortense Mackay  
Song—Keep on Ringing the Christmas Bells,  
Distribution of Christmas gifts,—H. H. Hobson.

The pastor, Rev. W. C. Christie, will preach in the morning on the subject—"Mind and Brain, and their proper use."

Sunday School at 12.10. The pastor will preach at 7 p. m.

## Christ Church

A merry gathering that taxed the capacity of Christ Church guild room were entertained by the following program last Wednesday evening:

Hymn—"Sing, Oh, Sing, this Blessed Morn."  
Recitation, Ruby Bessette  
Song, Girl's Quartette  
Recitation, Edythe Bailey  
Duet, Cecile Hall  
Duet,—Geraldine Chesney and Bernadine Sargent.  
Recitation, Esther Osborne  
Recitation, Thelma Damon  
Recitation, Lolita Hall  
Song, Girl's Quartette  
Reading, Ultrada Cilly

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Recitation, Florence Petrie  
Hymn—"O Little Town of Bethlehem."  
Reading, Bernadine Sargent  
Recitation, Samuel Smith  
Recitation, Arleen Hodsden  
Solo, Bernadine Sargent  
Recitation, Ruby Burrows  
Recitation, Florence Davis  
Reading, Elsie Petrie  
Recitation, Walter Chesney  
Hymn—"It Came upon a Midnight Clear."  
Santa Claus appeared to assist in presenting the gifts.

The parish presented to Mr. and Mrs. Jones a nickel coffee perculator of the latest design and a gold certificate to Miss Mildred Foss. Special Christmas service next Sunday evening. Evening prayer and sermon by Rev. John Tannar. Music by full chorus choir. The public are cordially invited to attend this service.

Sunday School at 12 o'clock. There will be no morning service.

## Dog Attacks Cow

A stray dog, owner unknown, attacked a cow tied up in the barn of Hilland Fay, of Bennington, although there were men in the barn at the time, and they were obliged to kill it by jabbing it with pitchforks before it would let go its hold. The cow was badly injured and the dog's head was sent to the state laboratory to see whether it had the rabies.

## Largest Mail Under Parcel Post Law

The largest morning's mail that ever arrived under the parcel post law was on hand at the Burlington postoffice last Monday morning. It was not so much a matter of Christmas presents as it was holiday merchandise for the merchants, who are taking advantage also of the parcel post. There was about a carload of mail altogether, and four big loads were distributed to the merchants.

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Bequests to Vermont Institutions  
The late Mrs. Lois Stuart, of Audubon, Iowa, who left an estate of over \$1,000,000 made the following bequests to Vermont institutions: Ryegate Corner Presbyterian church, \$1,000; West Barnet Presbyterian, \$1,000; Peacham grammar school, \$1,000.

## Accidental Shooting Causes Death

Hokan R. Larson, of Brattleboro, aged 26 years, accidentally shot in the leg by his brother, Axel, October 9, died December 16 from a rupture of the femoral artery. Two weeks ago, feeling improved, he went hunting and suffered a rupture, probably from strain. Death occurred during an operation to care for the blood clot that formed.

Bread, a La United States.  
This is the way to make official bread, given out by the chief cook of the department of agriculture, Miss Hannah Wessler:

"For three-pound loaves—Make ferment of one-ounce cake compressed yeast, one ounce granulated sugar, half-ounce salt, and twenty ounces water. Place in even temperature for an hour. Weigh 4 1/2 pounds flour, and let it warm. Mix flour and ferment together. Cover mixture and warm for twenty minutes.  
"If dough is too stiff, add lukewarm water. After twenty minutes more take up dough with hands slightly greased, and fold over and over fourteen times. Cover, set aside for twenty minutes, then fold nine times.  
"After twenty minutes more, mould into loaves, and bake forty minutes in a steady oven 400 to 410 degrees Fahrenheit. A cup of water in the oven will make a tenderer crust."

Again the "Sirions."  
King James I. is said to have been so well pleased with a lion of beef as to knight it and make it Sir Lion, or sir lion. However, a story of the same kind was also told of Henry VIII., and is to be found in Fuller's "Church History." Dining with the abbot of Reading, Henry, according to this authority, ate so heartily of a lion of beef that the abbot said he would give 1,000 marks for such a stomach. "Done!" said the king, and kept the abbot a prisoner in the tower until he grew ravenously hungry, and won his 1,000 marks and knighted the beef. But Webster characterizes this etymology as "erroneous," saying that the true spelling should be "sur lion"—the "sur" being equal to "super."

Good Advice.  
Lord Chelysmore is telling an amusing story just now. He went down to one of the big schools to distribute prizes on breaking-up day, and he says that before the ceremony one of the schoolboys gave him some good advice.  
"If you're going to make a speech," said the youngster, "don't be too long. Remember that every minute you spend in talking you are taking something off my holiday!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Beyond His Comprehension.  
"King Lear is a great character," remarked the friend. "Yes," answered the actor; "I suppose you remember my performance last season?" "No, I must confess I have never seen you in the part." "Indeed!" was the rejoinder in a tone of gentle surprise. "Then how on earth did you know it was a great character?"—Liverpool Mercury.

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